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## KEY POINTS

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	The USSR remained India's major supplier and this relationship is likely to continue. The most									
	significant Indian imports were SA-6 missiles									
	India's first receipt of this low altitude missile									
	system									
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-- China remained Pakistan's key military supplier, but France has become an increasingly important source of sophisticated equipment. France recently supplied Pakistan with its first surfaceto-air missiles. Pledges by Middle Eastern countries to provide funds to Pakistan for military purchases rose sharply, but few purchases have yet been made with these funds.

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- There have been discussions about possible cancellation or postponement of the sale of a reprocessing plant by France to Pakistan. deal, however, is not yet dead. Such a plant would be an essential acquisition if Pakistan were to construct its own nuclear device.

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-- The net impact of the military equipment received by India and Pakistan in 1976 has not significantly affected India's overwhelming military superiority.

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